criteria to be used by DOE in determining whether programs or projects maximize domestic energy supplies and finding whether or not supplies of material and equipment are critical and essential, as required by DPA section 101(c)(3). The critical and essential finding will be made only for supplies of materials and equipment related to those programs or projects determined by DOE to maximize domestic energy supplies. These regulations do not require or imply that the findings, on which the exercise of such authority is conditioned, will be made in any particular case.

(c) If DOE determines that a program or project maximizes domestic energy supplies and finds that supplies of materials and equipment are critical and essential to maintain or further the exploration, production, refining, transportation or conservation of energy supplies or for the construction and maintenance of energy facilities, such determination and finding will be communicated to the Department of Commerce. If not, the applicant will be so informed. If the determination and finding described above are made, the Department of Commerce, pursuant to DPA section 101(c), Executive Order 11912 and DMO No. 13, will find whether or not (1) the supplies of materials and equipment in question are scarce and (2) maintenance or furtherance of exploration, production, refining, trans-portation, or conservation of energy supplies or the construction and maintenance of energy facilities cannot be reasonably accomplished without exercising the authority specified in section 101(c). If these additional two findings are made, the Department of Commerce will notify DOE, and DOE will inform the applicant that it has been granted the right to use priority ratings under the Defense Priorities and Allocations System ("DPAS") regulation established by the Department of Commerce, 15 CFR 350.

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§216.2 Definitions.

As used in these regulations:

(a) Secretary means the Secretary of the Department of Energy.

- (b) *Applicant* means a person requesting priorities or allocation assistance in connection with an energy program or project.
- (c) Application means the written request of an applicant for assistance.
- (d) Assistance means use of the authority vested in the President by DPA section 101(c) to implement priorities and allocation support.
- (e) DOC means the Department of Commerce, acting through the Secretary or the delegate of the Secretary.
- (f) *DOE* means the Department of Energy, acting through the Secretary or the delegate of the Secretary.
- (g) Eligible energy program or project means a designated activity which maximizes domestic energy supplies by furthering the domestic exploration, production, refining, transportation or conservation of energy supplies or construction and maintenance of energy facilities within the meaning of DPA section 101(c), as determined by DOE.
- (h) FEMA means the Federal Emergency Management Agency.
- (i) Materials and equipment means any raw, in-process, or manufactured commodity, equipment, component, accessory, part, assembly or product of any kind.
- (j) Person means an individual, corporation, partnership, association, or any other organized group of persons (or legal successor or representative thereof), and includes the United States or any other government and any political subdivisions (or any agency) thereof.

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§216.3 Requests for assistance.

(a) Persons who believe that they perform work associated with a program or project which may qualify as an eligible energy program or project and wishing to receive assistance as authorized by DPA section 101(c)(1) may submit an application to DOE requesting DOE to determine whether a program or project maximizes domestic energy supplies and to find whether or not specific supplies of materials or equipment identified in the application are critical and essential for a purpose identified in section 101(c). The application should be sent to: Department

of Energy, Procurement and Assistance Management Directorate, Attn: MA-422, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585. The application shall contain the following information:

- (1) The name and address of the applicant and of its duly authorized representative.
- (2) A description of the energy program or project for which assistance is requested and an assessment of its impact on the maximization of domestic energy supplies.
- (3) The amount of energy to be produced by the program or project which is directly affected by the supplies of the materials or equipment in question.
- (4) A statement explaining why the materials or equipment for which assistance is requested are critical and essential to the construction or operation of the energy project or program.
- (5) A detailed description of the specific supplies of materials and equipment in connection with which assistance is requested, including: Components, performance data (capacity, life duration, etc.), standards, acceptable tolerances in dimensions and specifications, current inventory, present and expected rates of use, anticipated deliveries and substitution possibilities (feasibility of using other materials or equipment).
- (6) A detailed description of the sources of supply, including: Name of the regular supplying company or companies, other companies capable of supplying the materials and equipment, location of supplying plants or plants capable of supplying plants or plants capable of supplying the needed materials and equipment, possible suppliers for identical or substitutable materials and equipment and possible foreign sources of supply.
- (7) A detailed description of the delivery stituation, including: Normal delivery times, promised delivery time without priorities assistance, and delivery time required for expeditious fulfillment or completion of the program or project.
- (8) Evidence of the applicant's unsuccessful efforts to obtain on a timely basis the materials and equipment in question through normal business

channels from current or other known suppliers.

- (9) A detailed estimate of the delay in fulfilling or completing the energy program or project which will be caused by inability to obtain the specified materials and equipment in the usual course of business.
- (10) Any known conflicts with rated or authorized controlled material orders already issued pursuant to the DPA for supplies of the described materials and equipment.
- (11) Quarterly estimates of requirements for controlled materials, if applicable, by shapes and forms as prescribed by the DPAS regulation, § 350.31(e)(2).
- (b) DOE, on consultation with the DOC, may prescribe standard forms of application or letters of instruction for use by all persons seeking assistance.
- (c) In addition to the information described above, DOE may from time to time request whatever additional information it reasonably believes is relevant to the discharge of its functions pursuant to DPA section 101(c).

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§216.4 Evaluation by DOE of applications.

- (a) Based on the information provided by the applicant and other available information, DOE will assess the application and (1) determine whether or not the energy program or project in connection with which the application is made maximizes domestic energy supplies and should be designated an eligible energy program or project and (2) find whether the described supplies of materials and equipment are critical and essential to the eligible energy program or project.
- (b) In determining whether the program or project referred to in the application should be designated an eligible energy program or project, DOE will consider all factors which it considers relevant including, but not limited to, the following:
 - (1) Quantity of energy involved;
- (2) Benefits of timely energy program furtherance or project completion;
 - (3) Socioeconomic impact;